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EL SEGUNDO, Calif., April 22 -- Expansion of Douglas Aircraft company's El Segundo Division was forecast today when the company announced it has signed a contract with the U.S. Navy to rehabilitate the World War II aluminum plant located at 190th St. and South Normandie Ave., Torrance, Calif.

The plant property, consisting of more than 200 acres of land and approximately one million square feet of buildings, is being acquired by the Navy under condemnation action against the Columbia-Geneva Steel Division of U.S. Steel company.

Douglas options to lease or purchase the property were nullified by the Navy's acquisition, the company announced.

The present contract authorizes Douglas to prepare the buildings for use as a manufacturing facility to fabricate parts of aircraft produced by the El Segundo Division for the Navy.